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Committee invites input on Presidential profile

The Committee on the Presidency has begun an extensive consultation process to give the Brock community an opportunity to provide input into the development of a profile for the new President.

As part of this consultation process, the Committee invited Brock University faculty, staff and students to provide input by identifying:

- the five most significant issues, challenges and opportunities facing the University in the ensuing decade, and,
- the characteristics/attributes a President should possess to address these issues, challenges

and opportunities. There is still time to provide input in one or both of the following ways:

- There will be two Town Hall meetings where you can speak with members of the Committee on the Presidency. The meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, April 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the Senate Chamber, Mackenzie Chown Complex, A300. There is no need to register to attend a Town Hall meeting.
- If you wish to make a written submission, please send your

submission to Mike Farrell, Secretary to the University, ST 1200, no later than April 11.

When the profile is developed, the position will be advertised in national newspapers, applications will be received and candidate interviews will be held. This process is in camera (confidential) until the Board of Trustees appoints the new President. The consultation process is your opportunity to provide input into the selection of the next President.

The Committee looks forward to hearing from members of the Brock community on this important matter.

Call for nominations from Brock community

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees invites suggestions from the Brock community of names of individuals who are appropriate for the lay (community) membership of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees currently comprises 21 lay members, three faculty members, three staff members, three students, and the Chancellor and the President and Vice-Chancellor, ex officio.

Lay members of the Board are expected to have the leadership qualities required to oversee effectively the activities of a multimillion-dollar educational institution. The composition of the Board should reflect Brock's status as a provincial and national institution. Board members selected from the Niagara region should reflect the demographic characteristics of the region (e.g. in terms of gender distribution and the representation of visible minorities), and should include representation from throughout the region. Board members chosen from outside the Niagara region should be persons who can further Brock's ambition to develop its particular place among Ontario and Canadian universities.

The Nominating Committee will be meeting in early May to discuss Board membership and will decide whether to make a nomination from amongst the suggestions received. Suggestions for lay members received by the Nominating Committee will be considered by the Committee in light of the desired mix of skills, knowledge, geographic location, constituency representation and gender. Nominations will be presented to the Board of Trustees in accordance with the General Bylaws of the Board of Trustees.

Names of potential candidates for consideration for Board membership with background information should be submitted by April 29, 2005 to:

Mike Farrell,
Secretary, Nominating Committee,
Board of Trustees,
ST 1200, Schmon Tower,
or FAX 905-688-9754

Ebeling, Stienstra and Weicker named Athletes of the Year



From left, Athletes of the Year Kevin Stienstra, Ryan Weicker and Jodie Ebeling.

Jodie Ebeling, of the women's basketball team, was named Brock's Female Athlete of the Year, while men's basketball centre, Kevin Stienstra and wrestler Ryan Weicker were co-winners of the Male Athlete of the Year award.

They were among student-athletes honoured on March 30 at the 38th Annual Brock Athletics Awards Dinner. The event was an opportunity to celebrate an outstanding year of individual and team accomplishments that included national championships in men's wrestling, rowing and lacrosse and provincial titles in men's and women's wrestling and men's baseball.

Other major awards included:

- Director's Awards for outstanding contributions were presented to student-athlete Laura Macpherson, of the Brock swim team, Ron Gourlay, who recently retired after 12 seasons coaching the women's soccer team, and, as part of a special tribute, to Brock President David Atkinson;

- Larkin Lamarche, of the women's basketball team, received the R.M. Davis Surgite Award in recognition of athletic and academic performance;

- Team of the Year Awards went to the men's lacrosse and women's hockey teams.

For a complete listing of award winners and team accomplishments, please visit www.brocku.ca/athletics

13th Annual CA celebration

On March 16, the Co-op Programs Office hosted the 13th Annual Chartered Accounting Night. CA Night introduces Accounting firms to first-year Accounting Co-op students and begins the recruiting season for those students who are available for their initial work term. The event is open to students from the Co-op and regular streams of the BAcc, MAcc, BBA and MBA programs and offers an opportunity for them to discuss all aspects of becoming a CA with representatives from various firms including:

Deloitte LLP, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Ernst & Young LLP, Smith, Nixon & Co. LLP, Durward Jones Barkwell & Company LLP, Grant Thornton LLP, BDO Dunwoody LLP, KPMG LLP, Soberman LLP, Taylor Leibow LLP, Wormald Masse Keen Lopinski LLP, Crawford Smith & Swallow LLP, Vine & Partners LLP, Adams, Masin & Tilley LLP, SF Partnership LLP and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Accounting Co-op program.

New look for Brock News!

Today, we introduce a new look for Brock News. We hope that the revamped design provides an easier and more enjoyable read for the Brock community. As the University continues to expand, so does the scope of our news coverage, and this new design allows for greater flexibility in the layout of the publication. It is our hope that you enjoy the new look, and that you continue to find Brock News an informative source.

As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions. Please e-mail the Editor at: kgrou@brocku.ca

Best Practices in Teaching and Learning Conference



Henry Giroux

Acclaimed scholar in educational issues, Henry Giroux, will deliver the keynote address at the second annual Best Practices in

Teaching and Learning Conference hosted by Brock University's Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies (CTLET). The presentation will take place on Tuesday, May 10 in the Senate Chamber and is entitled "Putting youth back into the Future: Reclaiming Education and Hope in Dark Times."

In 2002, Giroux was named one of the top educators in the 20th century in "Fifty Modern Thinkers on Education." He has written more than 300 articles and 40 books, and he currently holds the Global Television Network Chair in Communications Studies at McMaster University. Giroux last visited Brock in February of this year, to deliver a presentation as part of the Controversies in Education and Society in Transition lectures series.

The Best Practices in Teaching and Learning Conference is free of charge to the Brock community but advanced registration is required. For more information and to sign-up for the event, please contact ext. 3933, or visit www.brocku.ca/ctl.

End of Term Mixer-April 14

All faculty and staff are cordially invited to the President's annual End of Term Mixer on Thursday, April 14, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Pond Inlet.

Brock Briefs

Computer Science Employer Workshop

The Computer Science Department in conjunction with Career Services recently sponsored an Employer Workshop for Computer Science students. Joe Biernacki, Manager, Program Control Office, The Ministry of Transport for the Government of Ontario; Denis Dyack, President of Silicon Knights and Wendy Rea, Manager, Network and Client Services at Seaway Marine Transport; all Brock Computer Science graduates, participated in this event to assist students preparing to begin their careers in Information Technology. Topics that were addressed included: a description of their career path to date, an overview of their organizations, their corporate hiring practices, and recommendations for new graduates.

What to do with your kids for the summer?

Brock University is proud to present Youth University's Summer Day Camps for children finishing Grades 3 to 6. The program blends creative, hands-on educational modules with adventurous recreational activities. Weekly sessions run from July 4 to August 19. Learning themes include robotics, chemistry, woodworking, computers and more! Discounts are available for members of the Brock community. For more information, please call 905-688-5550, ext. 3120.

Forgiveness study

Volunteers are being sought to take part in a research study about forgiveness. Participants must be aged 18 and over, and have been hurt personally by someone close to them (e.g., romantic partner, family member, close friend) in a way that they consider to be significant and who have forgiven the person who hurt them. The hurtful event may have happened recently or some time ago, as long as it is well remembered. The main purpose of this research is to try to understand the different perspectives that people have on forgiveness in the context of their own lives. This study will take between 90 and 120 minutes to complete. There will be a small honorarium for participation. For more information about the study, please leave a message for Tammy Stewart at ext. 4084, or contact her by e-mail at: ts00be@brocku.ca. This study has been reviewed and received approval from the Research Ethics Board (File # REB 04-421).

Faculty of Education Thesis Defence

• Education Student Greta Hildebrand will present her thesis defence on Wednesday, April 13, at 10 a.m. in WH147 (Welch Hall). The title of her thesis is "Making it 'Click': Collaborative Perceptions of Creative Practice in Art Education." Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Alice Schütz; External Examiner: Dr. Ronald Wideman; Committee Members: Dr. Sandra Bosacki, Dr. Michael Kompf. All are welcome to attend.

• Education Student Edith van der Boom will present her thesis defence on Tuesday, April 19, at 10 a.m. in WH147 (Welch Hall). The title of her thesis is "Inclusive Education: Exploring Teachers' Perspectives." Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Anne Elliott; External Examiner: Dr. Clint Davis; Committee Members: Dr. Sandra Bosacki, Dr. Susan Drake. All are welcome to attend.

Classified

Rental wanted: Mature woman from Pittsburgh, Pa., seeks to rent a room in a non-smoker's house for 4-6 day visits (approx.) to St. Catharines approximately every four to six weeks. Would prefer to work out a per visit (daily rate) rather than a year round rate if possible. Please contact Melissa Jones at 412-799-0132 or e-mail, mcjones116@comcast.net

For sale: Good dependable car, one owner. 1992 Mazda Protege SE, red with grey cloth interior, 1.8L 4 cyl., auto, pm, ps, pb, am/fm cassette, moonroof and rear spoiler, 217,000 km. Certified & E-tested, security alarm, recent radiator, water pump and timing belt, new all season tires and four snow tires. Asking \$1,695 or best offer. Call 905-650-6010.

Sport Management student research colloquium

The Department of Sport Management presents the fifth annual Student Research Colloquium on Friday, April 8, from 8:20 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the Senate Chamber and Boardroom. Dr. Alison Doherty, Associate Professor at the University of Western Ontario and President of the North American Society for Sport Management, will deliver the day's keynote address at 8:30 a.m.

There is a registration fee for the full day's events, but non-registrants are welcome to drop in on any session that interests them at no cost. For a complete schedule of the abstracts to be presented at this year's colloquium, please visit: www.brocku.ca/spma, and click on "Abstracts and Schedules."

For more information, please contact Julie Stevens, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sport Management, at ext. 4668; e-mail: jstevens@brocku.ca

Niagara Symphony seeks Summer Camp Assistant

The Niagara Symphony Association is now accepting applications for the position of Assistant Camp Co-ordinator.

This is a 12-week full-time position commencing May 16, 2005, made possible by the assistance of the HRDC Summer Careers program.

For more information, please contact: Marcia O'Neill, Education Director, Niagara Symphony, 500 Glenridge Ave. TH305, St. Catharines, Ont., L2S 3A1, or by e-mail: education@niagarasympphony.org, by April 15, 2005.

Brock's Smoke Free Day a success!

The students from Leave The Pack Behind would like to issue a big 'Thank You' to Brock students, staff and faculty for all the support they gave to Smoke Free Campus Day, held on March 8. Leave The Pack Behind is co-directed by Dr. Kelli-an Lawrance, Associate Professor, Community Health Sciences Department; Melodie Shick-Porter, Director, Clinical Services; Dr. Linda Jessup, Assistant Professor, University of Waterloo; and Sharon Lawler, Manager. This comprehensive tobacco-control initiative uniquely combines service provision with applied research to reduce tobacco use on campuses across Ontario.

For all those who supported smokers during the day, we commend you. For all the smokers who tried butting out for the day, a very special vote of appreciation goes your way. This day was about celebrating clean air for everyone to breathe and it was highly successful in doing just that. Many staff, faculty and students attended the presentation by Heather Crowe in the Skybar Lounge at noon. Also the blue Smoke Free Campus Day buttons were highly visible around campus all day because so many of you wore them. Smoke Free Campus Day was an example of just one of the many services Leave The Pack Behind provides to the University community. For more information about Leave The Pack Behind programs, services or research, contact the Brock office at ext. 4992. Thanks again and we look forward to next year's Smoke Free Campus Day at Brock!

- Sharon Lawler,
Manager, Leave The Pack Behind

Faculty and Staff

CHEMISTRY

Professor **Tomas Hudlicky** has been selected to serve on the Executive Council for the Canadian Green Chemistry Network, a group devoted to promote and research environmentally friendly chemical methodologies.

Professor **Stuart Rothstein** received a grant from the American Chemical Society, Petroleum Research Fund, to partially support his symposium on advances in quantum Monte Carlo methods, to be held at the PACIFICHEM 2005 meeting in Honolulu this December.

Four Brock students from the Faculty of Mathematics and Science presented papers at the 33rd Southwestern Ontario Undergraduate Student Chemistry Conference held at the University of Toronto on March 19.

Jennifer Chaytor spoke about her fourth-year research: "Preparation of a chiral phenanthroline derived N-heterocyclic carbene by asymmetric lithiation."

Deanna Tremblay presented her honours thesis work: "Synthesis of ferrocenyl iminophosphoranes for use in palladium-mediated C-C coupling reactions."

Chaytor and Tremblay both work in the laboratory of Professor Costa Metallinos.

Patricia Wang Pan, a fourth-year student working on her thesis with Professors Stuart Rothstein and Heather Gordon, spoke about "Structural flexibilities of protein models near thermodynamic transition temperatures."

Sara Chirico's presentation on "Molecular dynamics simulations of natural and synthetic ligands of alpha-tocopherol transfer protein" placed third in the physical/theoretical chemistry division. Chirico is a third-year student who worked under the supervision of Professors Heather Gordon and Jeffrey Atkinson in the summer of 2004.

EDUCATION

Professor Emeritus **Anthony Mollica** recently gave a keynote address to teachers of French of the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board on "Teaching Grammar Creatively."

PHILOSOPHY

Christine Daigle presented a paper, entitled "Sartre and Nietzsche: Brothers in Arms," at the special conference of the United Kingdom Society for Sartrean Studies (UKSSS) at the Institut Français in London (UK), on March 18.

Publications

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Events

Spring Festival of the Arts

As spring finally arrives, the arts continue to bloom at Brock. Look for the following special events:

Department of Music **Choral Ensembles Concert** on April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Knox Presbyterian Church, 53 Church St., St. Catharines.

'A Time and a Place: 2005 Visual Arts Honours Exhibition' at Rodman Hall Arts Centre, April 10 to May 1, with the opening reception on April 10 at 2 p.m.

Department of Music **Piano and Instrumental Students** 3rd and 4th Year Recitals: April 13 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., April 15 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

4 The Spirit of Dance presented by students in Advanced Movement, Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology, April 14 at 1:30 p.m., David S. Howes Theatre.

Department of Music **Voice and Organ Students** 3rd and 4th Year Recitals, April 16 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Knox Presbyterian Church, 53 Church St., St. Catharines.

For information on all events, visit www.brocku.ca/finearts or call 905-688-5550, ext. 4765.

Canadian Federation of University Women: St. Catharines

The Canadian Federation of University Women of St. Catharines invites women university graduates to "Gardens of the World" with Liz Klose, Superintendent, Niagara Parks School of Horticulture at the Four Points Sheraton, Schmon Parkway on Tuesday, April 12, 7:30 p.m. For more information, please contact 905-684-3351.

Biological Sciences Winter Seminar Series:

April 7: Dr. Jeremy N. McNeil, Helen I. Battle, Visiting Professor of Chemical Ecology, Department of Biology, University of Western Ontario, will be speaking on "The reproductive biology of moths that migrate in response to habitat change." Host: Biological Sciences Senior Graduate Student, Dawn Hall.

All lectures take place at 11:30 a.m. in MC H313, unless otherwise noted. The seminar series is organized by the Department of Biological Sciences. For more information, contact Dr. Adonis Skandalis at ext. 3399; e-mail: adonis.skandalis@brocku.ca



Brock University Film Society (BUFS):

All films are shown Sunday evenings in the David S. Howes Theatre at 7 p.m.

April 10: House of Flying Daggers (Shi Mian Mai Fu) (Zhang Yimou, China/Hong Kong, 119 mins.) An astounding martial arts epic by the

virtuoso director of Hero, featuring the formidable talents of megastars Zhang Ziyi, Andy Lau, and Takeshi Kaneshiro. Set in the ninth century, during the decline of the Tang Dynasty. Opulent period costumes. Bold visuals of sheer grace pumped up with detailed sound design and saturated with impossibly complex swordplay.